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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 7 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

3.30 p.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Cyprus

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/1999/1203)

Other matters

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m.	72nd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin [24]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/436)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.47)

(continued overleaf)

2. Operational activities for development of the United Nations system [101 (a)]: follow-up to the World Summit for Children: draft resolution (A/54/L.51)

3. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity [31]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/484)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.38)

4. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [20]:

   (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: draft resolution (A/54/L.54)

   (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolutions (A/54/L.49, A/54/L.53, A/54/L.56, A/54/L.57)

   (c) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster: draft resolution (A/54/L.22/Rev.1)

   (d) Participation of volunteers, 'White Helmets', in activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development: draft resolution (A/54/L.34/Rev.1)

5. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [47]:

   (a) Draft resolution (A/54/L.27)

   (b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/651)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	47th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Sectoral policy questions [98]

   (b) Business and development

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.35 and L.68

2. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [99]

   (b) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.13 and L.66

3. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) [105]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.3 and L.69

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

1. Informal consultations under the Chairmanship of Mr. Alexandru Niculescu (Romania), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.34 *(item 98 (b))* and A/C.2/54/L.39 *(item 99 (f))*

2. Informal consultations under the Chairmanship of Mr. Giovanni Brauzzi (Italy), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.36 *(item 97 (c))*, A/C.2/54/L.38 *(item 97 (b))*, A/C.2/54/L.2 *(item 97 (e))*, A/C.2/54/L.19 *(item 104)*

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* Immediately following the adjournment of the 47th meeting of the Committee.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	43rd meeting	Conference Room 3

Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo [166] (A/54/494 and Corr.1 and A/54/622)

Conclusion of general discussion

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 117 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/54/5/Add.5, A/54/140 and Add.1, A/54/159 and Corr.1, A/54/164, A/54/165, A/54/441, A/C.5/54/3 and A/54/7))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 166 Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (A/54/494 and Corr.1 and A/54/622))

6.30 p.m.-9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
9.30 p.m.-12.30 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 (A/54/6/Rev.1, Vol. I, II and III, A/54/7, A/54/16, A/C.5/54/18, A/C.5/54/19, A/53/833, A/C.5/54/20, A/C.5/54/16, A/54/643, A/C.5/54/15, A/C.5/54/27, A/C.5/54/17, A/C.5/54/21, A/53/955, A/C.5/54/25, A/53/794, A/C.5/54/14, A/C.5/51/57 and A/52/7/Add.2))

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* Following the adjournment of the 43rd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

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PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Third session

9 a.m.-11 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the rules of procedure and evidence (Part 7 of the Statute)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the rules of procedure and evidence (Part 4 of the Statute)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on elements of crimes

WORKING GROUP ON ELEMENTS OF CRIME

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Conference Room 4

WORKING GROUP ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE RELATED TO PART 2 OF THE STATUTE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	Conference Room 4

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Development Account

2. International Trade Centre

3. United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti (MIPONUH)

4. Executive session on the second performance report

5. Executive session on the revised estimates: effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation

6. Draft report

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 162

There will be a meeting to discuss General Assembly draft resolution A/54/L.7 on agenda item 162 (Observer status for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources in the General Assembly), to be held *today*, 7 December 1999, at 9.30 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal consultations on agenda item 39

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the General Assembly resolution on the "Code of Democratic Conduct", under item 39 (Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies) *today*, 7 December 1999, at 10 a.m. in Room S-3527B.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (b)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 20 (b) entitled "Emergency assistance to the Sudan" will be held *today*, 7 December 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal meeting on agenda item 30

The Permanent Mission of Norway (as Chairman-in-office of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe), invites the permanent delegations of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe member states to an information and co-sponsor meeting on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, to be held *today*, 7 December 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (b)

The delegation of Ukraine, on behalf of co-sponsors, invites all interested delegations to informal consultations on the draft resolution on the economic assistance to the Eastern European States affected by the recent developments in the Balkan region, to be held *today*, 7 December 1999, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal consultations on agenda item 42

Informal consultations of co-sponsors and interested delegations on agenda item 42 (The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina) will be held *today*, 7 December 1999, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), *today*, 7 December 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 1.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 7 December 1999

ARAB GROUP OF THE PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

9 a.m.-9.45 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(coordination meeting: trade and development (A/C.2/54/L.36); and other pending issues)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7
6 p.m.-8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

BRIEFING ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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There will be a Donors' Conference for the Mine Action Programme in Croatia, organized by the Mine Action Service, Office of Planning of Support, Department of Peacekeeping Operations, and the United Nations Development Programme, *today*, 7 December 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing, jointly with the German Management Academy (DMAN) and with support from the Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE), the second session in the series entitled "Public-Private Partnerships for Sustainable Development". Session II will be on "Financing for Development Through Public-Private Partnership." The workshop will be held on the following dates: *today*, 7 December 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A; and *tomorrow*, 8 December, from 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

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There will be a technical workshop, organized by the Department for Disarmament Affairs, in collaboration with the Program on Security and Development (SAND) of the Monterey Institute of International Studies (MIIS) and the Bonn International Center for Conversion (BICC), *today*, 7 December 1999, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7, to discuss a draft Light Weapons Field Guide for Development and Humanitarian Relief Workers being developed by SAND and BICC. The workshop will be chaired by the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala. Members of permanent missions and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. Copies of the draft Field Guide may be retrieved from the office of Mr. David Biggs, Conventional Arms Branch, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3170G; tel.: (212) 963-5598).

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 1 December 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 8 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. — 73rd PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa [46]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/133)

(b) Letter from the President of the Economic and Social Council addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/54/513)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 3
6.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 20

The Permanent Mission of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and Mexico) invites all interested delegations to informal consultations on the draft resolution on "International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters from relief to development", to be held on Wednesday, 8 December 1999, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7, and on Thursday, 9 December 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, as well as on Friday, 10 December 1999, and on Monday, 13 December 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 24

The Permanent Mission of Greece invites all interested delegations to informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin", to be held on Wednesday, 8 December 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room E.

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The Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Wednesday, 8 December 1999, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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A brief resumed third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2000 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) will be held under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Camilo Reyes Rodríguez (Colombia), Chairman of the third session of the Preparatory Committee, for the purpose of taking a decision on the nomination for the presidency of the 2000 Review Conference, on Wednesday, 8 December 1999, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

In view of the continuation of the work of the Second Committee, the meeting of the Economic and Social Council scheduled for Thursday, 9 December, has been postponed to Tuesday, 14 December, at 10.30 a.m. Accordingly, informal consultations by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. F. Paolo Fulci (Italy), will be held on Friday, 10 December, and Monday, 13 December, at 10.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional agenda will be as follows:

1. Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the Administrative Committee on Coordination (E/1999/123 and Add.1)

2. International cooperation in tax matters (E/1999/84)

3. Programme of work for the Committee on Development Policy (E/1999/33)

4. Advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the difference relating to immunity from legal process of a Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights (E/1999/121)

5. Strengthening the role of the Economic and Social Council as the central mechanism for the coordination of the activities of the specialized agencies (Articles 63 and 64 of the Charter of the United Nations)

6. Election of five members of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme

   Election of two members of the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

7. Other matters

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An informal briefing on the preparations for the fourth session of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests of the Commission on Sustainable Development will be given by H.E. Mr. Bagher Asadi (Islamic Republic of Iran), Co-chairman of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests. The briefing will be held on Friday, 17 December 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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United Nations Development Programme

The United Nations Development Programme will hold informal consultations on the *Human Development Report 2000* on Friday, 10 December 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETING OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be an extraordinary meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Wednesday, 8 December 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of Interested States in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 52/38 G on "Consolidation of Peace through Practical Disarmament Measures" on Wednesday, 8 December 1999, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E. The meeting will review the status of ongoing projects of practical disarmament and will hear new proposals in this field. The meeting is open to all interested delegations.

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Panel discussion

The Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women will be opened for signature on Friday, 10 December 1999, at the United Nations Headquarters.

On the same day, a panel discussion on the Optional Protocol will take place at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Secretary-General of the United Nations will make an opening statement. Panellists will include: Ms. Aída González Martínez, Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), Ms. Aloisia Wörgetter, Chairperson of the Optional Protocol Working Group, The Honourable Sujata Manohar, former Judge of the Supreme Court of India, Ms. Fauziya Kassindja, Equality Now, and Mr. Bacre Waly Ndiaye, Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. Ms. Angela E.V. King, Special Adviser on Gender Issues and the Advancement of Women, will moderate the panel discussion.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend these events.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 6 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

70th plenary meeting

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly and allocation of items [8]:

(a) Third report of the General Committee (A/54/250/Add.2)

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of the fifty-fourth session an additional item entitled "International recognition of the day of Vesak" and to consider the item directly in plenary meeting.

(b) Request for the inclusion of an additional item: note by the Secretary-General (A/54/236 and Add.1)

The Assembly decided to waive the provision of rule 40 of its rules of procedure and further decided, on the proposal of the Secretary-General, to include in the agenda of the fifty-fourth session an additional item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor" and to allocate the item to the Fifth Committee.

(c) Request for the reopening of the consideration of agenda item 15 (c): note by the Secretary-General (A/54/624)

The General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General, decided to reopen agenda item 15 (c).

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe: report of the Secretary-General (A/54/537 and Corr.1) [30]

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Knut Vollebaek, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Norway; by the representatives of Lithuania, Finland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania Slovakia and Slovenia), Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Slovakia, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Moldova, Austria and Belarus.

The Assembly was informed that a draft resolution under this item would be submitted at a later date.

Multilingualism [23]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/478)

(b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.37)

The representative of France made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.37.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Côte d'Ivoire, Monaco; H.E. Mr. Albert Pintat Santolària, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Andorra; by the representatives of Au. tria, Hungary, the Russian Federation and Haiti.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.37 (resolution 54/64).

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Thailand and Japan.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 23.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization: draft resolution (A/54/L.48) [167]

The representative of Austria made a statement in the course of which she introduced draft resolution A/54/L.48.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.48 (resolution 54/65)

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 167.

Programme of work

The attention of the General Assembly was drawn to the latest programme of work of the Assembly contained in document A/INF/54/3/Add. 4.

71st plenary meeting

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [18]:

(a) Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (A/54/23 (Parts I-III))

(b) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/54/119, A/54/219, A/54/337)

(c) Draft resolutions (A/54/L.50, A/54/23 (Part III), Chapter XIII, Section G, para.7)

The Rapporteur of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples made a statement in the course of which he introduced the Committee's report (A/54/23).

The representative of Papua New Guinea made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.50.

Statements were made by the representatives of Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Cuba and Fiji.

Members were informed that action on the draft resolutions submitted under this item would be taken after the General Assembly had considered the reports of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee).

Reports of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Rapporteur of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) made a statement in the course of which he introduced the reports of the Committee on agenda items 86 to 92, 93 and 18, 94 and 12, 95, 96 as well as 18.

Effects of atomic radiation: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/573) [86]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 7 of its report (A/54/573) (resolution 54/66).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 86.

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/574) [87]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 13 of its report (A/54/574) (resolutions 54/67 and 54/68).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 87.

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/575) [88]

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the seven draft resolutions recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 22 of its report (A/54/575).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (recorded vote) (resolution 54/69)	155	1	2
Draft resolution II (resolution 54/70)		adopted	
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 54/71)	154	2	2
Draft resolution IV (recorded vote) (resolution 54/72)	158	0	1
Draft resolution V (recorded vote) (resolution 54/73)	154	2	1
Draft resolution VI (recorded vote) (resolution 54/74)	154	2	2
Draft resolution VII (recorded vote) (resolution 54/75)	155	2	1

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 88.

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/576) [89]

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the five draft resolutions recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 17 of its report A/54/576.

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (recorded vote) (resolution 54/76)	84	2	67
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 54/77)	154	2	1
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 54/78)	149	3	3
Draft resolution IV (recorded vote) (resolution 54/79)	150	2	3
Draft resolution V (recorded vote) (resolution 54/80)	150	1	5

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 89.

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/577) [90]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 9 of its report (A/54/577) (resolution 54/81).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 90.

Questions relating to information: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/578) [91]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions A and B recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 11 of its report (A/54/578) (resolutions 54/82 A and B).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 12 of its report (A/54/578).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 91.

Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/579) [92]

By 155 to 0, with 6 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 8 of its report (A/54/579) (resolution 54/83).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 92.

Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories; implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/580) [93 and 18]

By 153 to 2, with 5 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 11 of its report (A/54/580) (resolution 54/84).

By 99 to 53, with 1 abstention (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 12 of its report (A/54/580).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 93.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 18.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations; report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/581) [94 and 12]

The representative of Argentina made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

By 101 to 0, with 52 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 8 of its report (A/54/581) (resolution 54/85).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 94.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 12.

Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/582) [95]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/582) (resolution 54/86).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 95.

Question of East Timor: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/583) [96]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/583).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 96.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/54/584) [18]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I, II, III and IV recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization

Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 23 of its report (A/54/584) (resolutions 54/87, 54/88, 54/89 and 54/90).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 24 of its report (A/54/584).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 18.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) before it.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: draft resolutions (A/54/L.50, A/54/23 (Part III), Chapter XIII, Section G, para.7) [18]

By 141 votes to 2, with 14 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.50 (resolution 54/91).

By 149 votes to 2, with 3 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution contained in Part III, Chapter XIII, section G, paragraph 7 of document A/54/23 (resolution 54/92).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of the United States and the United Kingdom.

The representative of Costa Rica made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 18.

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE — 42nd meeting

Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo [166]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Controller introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/54/494 and Corr.1).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/54/622).

Statements were made by the representatives of China, India, the Russian Federation, Pakistan and Uganda.

The Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division, the Chief of the Finance Management and Support Service and the Assistant Secretary-General of the Office of Planning and Support for Peacekeeping Operations replied to questions raised.

Organization of work

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to a paper distributed by the Office of Internal Oversight Services on questions raised at the 31st meeting held on 9 November 1999 under item 127 (Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services).

The representative of Pakistan made a statement.

The Chairman then drew the attention of the Committee to the proposed programme of work of the Committee for the week of 6-11 December.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cameroon, Morocco, Cuba, Algeria, the Philippines, Guyana (who spoke on behalf of his own delegation as well as on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Pakistan.

The Secretary of the Committee replied to a question raised.

The Chairman also made a statement.

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PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT
Third session — 10th meeting

The representatives of the Netherlands, South Africa, Norway, Lesotho and the United Republic of Tanzania reported on the progress achieved by their respective Working Groups.

The Chairman also spoke.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Sugar Agreement, 1992. Geneva, 20 March 1992

Extension of time-limit under article 38 (2) of the Agreement for the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval until 31 December 2000.

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Ratification: Poland (6 December 1999)*

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Briefing

On Wednesday, 8 December 1999, at 3 p.m., a briefing for the media will be held in Room S-226 to mark the fiftieth anniversary of General Assembly resolution 302 (IV) of 1949, which established the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA). The Secretary-General and the Commissioner-General of UNRWA will discuss the work and accomplishments of UNRWA during the past 50 years. Delegations are also invited to view the briefing in Viewing Room 4.

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Background briefings

In addition to the daily noon press briefing given by the Spokesman for the Secretary-General, all background briefings given to the press may now be viewed by delegations in Viewing Room 4, which is located in the corridor connecting the Viennese Cafe with the public concourse.

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International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

Exhibit

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, will present a Palestinian art exhibit entitled "Follow the Star: Images from the Palestinian City of Bethlehem at the New Millennium", in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People. The exhibit will be displayed until Sunday, 12 December 1999, at the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

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